IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	
RYUSUKE NAKAGIRI, ET AL.	Examiner: Gollamudi S. Kishore, Ph.D
Application No.: 10/010,154	: Group Art Unit: 1615
Filed: December 10, 2001	Confirmation No. 2545
For: LIVER FUNCTION PROTECTING OR IMPROVING AGENT	:) : January 25, 2007

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 8, 2006 (Paper No.

20061102), please amend the above-identified application as follows: